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1. The reply brief filed 11 January 2007 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

2. The examiner notes that an oral hearing has been requested by applicant in a paper filed 11 January 2007. The examiner does not request the opportunity to present arguments at the oral hearing.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William P. Watkins III whose telephone number is 571-272-1503. The examiner works an increased flex time schedule, but can normally be reached Monday through Friday, 11:30 A.M. through 8:00 P.M. Eastern Time. The examiner returns all calls within one business day unless an extended absence is noted on his voice mail greeting.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Pyon can be reached on 571-272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William P. Watkins III". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "W" and a long, horizontal stroke at the end.

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January 26, 2007

**WILLIAM P. WATKINS III
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